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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

A population of undifferentiated mesodermally derived cells (A) is stimulated to undergo haematopoiesis and/or vascular growth by providing them with a compound (I) that is functionally equivalent to a gene product expressed in extra-embryonic tissue. Also new are: (1) treating developmental errors (in vascular growth or haematopoiesis), in an embryo in utero, by exposure to (I); (2) treating conditions involving an abnormal number of erythroid cells by treating haematopoietic stem cells with (I); (3) treating ischaemia by treating the affected site with (I); (4) treating excessive vascular growth by treating with a hedgehog compound (II) that inhibits activity of (I); and (5) in vitro or in vivo assays for determining activity of compounds that modulate haematopoiesis and vascular growth.

USE - Method (2) is used to treat anaemia (idiopathic, constitutive or secondary aplastic; myelodysplastic; induced by virus, inflammation, cancer, drugs or organ failure); thrombocytopaenia; polycythaemia vera; erythroleukaemia; also other blood abnormalities such as the effects of radiation treatment, infection with human immune